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Unaxis Balzers Aktiengesellschaft

U.S. Divisional Patent Application of

U.S. Serial No. 09/958,404 Inventor: F. Schaefer, et al.

For: METHOD AND VACUUM TREATMENT OF WORKPIECES

AND VACUUM TREATMENT INSTALLATION

Our Ref.: H60-097 DIV

Sir:

The above-identified utility patent application is transmitted herewith for filing.

Enclosed are:

- 1. <u>15</u> Pages English Appln., including <u>15</u> Claims and 1 Pg. Abstract;
- 2. 2 Sheets of Drawings, Figs. 1-3;
- Copy of Declaration and Power of Attorney from parent case Serial No. 09/958,404, filed January 22, 2002 - (2 Pgs.); and
- 4. Check Amt. \$ 770.00 No. **5391** (Filing Fee-Large Entity).
- 5. Information Disclosure Statement, including PTO Form 1449 and copy of reference cited therein.

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Further, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 14-1431.

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